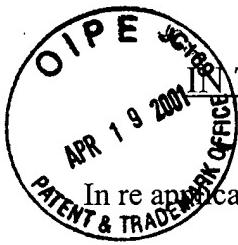


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In re application of ALLISON *et al.*)
Serial No. 09/454,481) Group No.: 1642
Filed: December 3, 1999) Examiner: Rawlings, S.
For: STIMULATION OF T CELLS)
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby responds to the Examiner's restriction requirement in the Office Action mailed January 29, 2001 in the above-referenced application. Enclosed herewith is a petition for a two-month extension of time and the fee therefor, thereby making this a timely response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Our Order No. A-68668/RFT/TAL).

In response to the outstanding restriction requirement, Applicant elects for further prosecution in this application the claims of Group 3, namely, Claims 21-25 and 27-31. This election is made without traverse.

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If a telephone call will help expedite any aspect of the prosecution of the instant application, Applicant encourages the Examiner to contact the undersigned by telephone at (415) 781-1989 or by fax at (415) 398-3249.

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